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Box No. V	Reasoned statement under A citations and explanations su		elty, inventive step or industrial applicability;			
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1.		regard to the language, this report is based on the internatio	nal application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise
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		international search (Rule 12.3 and 23.1(b))	.
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		iving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 ar report):	re referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to
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Box	Box No. V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement			
1.	Statement			
	Novelty (N)	Claims	1-26	YES
		Claims		_ NO
	Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-26	YES
		Claims		_ NO
	Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-26	YES
		Claims		NO
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2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

The characterizing features of the inventions that are set forth in claims 1 to 26 (i. e. the prescribed water-soluble polymer compounds that comprise a sugar chain, which are configured from a water-soluble polymer component that contains 20 to 80 mol% of (meth) acrylic acid residues; the water-soluble polymer primers for synthesizing sugar chain compounds, which are configured from said water-soluble polymer compounds that comprise a sugar chain; the method for the production of said watersoluble polymer compounds that comprise a sugar chain; and the method for the production of sugar chain compounds by means of said polymer primers) are not disclosed in any of the belowmentioned documents, which are cited in the international search report, and cannot be considered to have been obvious in the light of the documents in question.

As a result, the inventions that are set forth in claims 1 to 26 are novel and involve an inventive step.

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